Unit 201: Employment and employability in the building services engineering sector

# Worksheet 3: ECS and SKILLcard schemes and pathways in BSE (tutor)

**Task 1**: Draw a line to connect and match the card type to its respective colour.   
[SKILLcard | Types of SKILLcard](https://www.skillcard.org.uk/types-of-skillcard)

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| This card is for new entrant trainees who have no prior experience and are registered for a relevant Apprenticeship Standard or suitable qualification. There are two types of this card – Trainee or Industry Placement. |  |
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| This card is issued if you are a Modern Apprentice with relevant Apprenticeship Standard/NVQ/SVQ, a Skilled Worker with relevant Apprenticeship Standard/NVQ/SVQ or a Skilled Worker with an informal apprenticeship and a craft certificate appropriate to your trade. |  |
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| This SKILLcard is available if you are a Skilled Worker with an Apprenticeship Standard/NVQ/SVQ Level 3, a Skilled Worker with an indentured apprenticeship or a Skilled Worker with an informal apprenticeship and an advanced craft certificate appropriate to your trade. |  |
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| This card is relevant to Building Services Engineering Site Manager Level 4 or higher qualification in a BSE and/or managerial occupation. |  |

**Task 2**: True or False questions

Circle the correct response.

1. SKILLcard and ECS card applications can be submitted online.

True

1. These competency cards are issued without any expiry date.

False

1. The ECS card is mandatory for all electricians in the UK.

False

1. You must pass a health, safety and environment test in order to apply for an ECS or SKILLcard.

True

1. Only Gold SKILLcard holders can work unsupervised on a job.

False

1. Cards are only valid for a limited time, and must be renewed periodically.

True

**Task 3**: Multiple choice questions

Circle the correct response.

1. Who is responsible for applying for an ECS or SKILLcard?

a The employer.

**b The employee.**

c The labour manager.

d The client.

1. How can an individual apply for a card?

a By phone.

b By email.

c Online.

**d All of the above.**

1. What is the purpose of an ECS or SKILLcard?

a To show proof of identity.

b To indicate level of experience.

**c To demonstrate competence and knowledge of health and safety.**

d To show membership in a professional organisation.

1. How long is a Gold SKILLcard valid for?

a 1 year.

b 2 years.

c 3 years.

**d 5 years.**

1. Who is eligible to apply for an ECS card?

**a Anyone who wants to work in the electrotechnical industry, providing they are registered on a training programme.**

b Only individuals who have passed a specific health and safety test.

c Only individuals who have completed an apprenticeship or vocational training programme.

d Only individuals who are registered with a trade association or professional body.